Sl. No.	States/UTs	Houseless population
30.	Tamil Nadu	86472
31.	Tripura	857
32.	Uttar Pradesh	201029
33.	Uttaranchal	14703
34.	West Bengal	110535
	TOTAL	1943476

Decline in utilization of funds for schemes for dalits

1823. SHRI EKANATH K. THAKUR: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central and State Governments spend crores of rupees for providing loans, training and creating jobs for dalits, but it is observed by the National Institute of Financial Management that most of these agencies have parked their funds in fixed deposits, instead of giving loans to needy dalits;

(b) whether it is also a fact that in the past decade, the Central Government spending on welfare of SCs, STs and OBCs declined from a tiny 0.005 percentage of the total non-Plan revenue expenditure to 0.004 per cent; and

(c) if so, the reasons therefor and the action proposed to be taken to increase the spending?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) to (c) As per beneficiary-wise utilization certificates received from State Channelising Agencies (SCAs), the cumulative utilization of National Scheduled Castes Finance & Develoment Corporation (NSFDC) funds has been 90.05% as on 31.3.2006. As per the lending policy of NSFDC, funds released to SCAs are to be utilized by SCAs within 90 days from the date of release. The funds not utilized by the SCAs within 90 days from the date of release attracts higher rate of interest @ 4% over and above the normal rate of interest for the entire period.

In the Ninth and Tenth Plan period, NSFDC has disbursed funds, Rs. 1366.14 crore as against the equity support of Rs. 246.03 crore during this period.

Schemes for SCs and STs

†1824. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAJ MOHINDER SINGH MAJITHA:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several schemes for welfare of SCs and STs in the country have been implemented by Government;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the names of schemes implemented between April, 2004 and December, 2007;

(c) the amount allocated in the budget of 2005-06 and 2006-07 and for the first nine months of 2007-08 for each of the schemes; and

(d) the actual amount spent on implementation of these schemes during those periods?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The information is given in the Statement.

Statement

Details of Schemes Implemented for welfare of SCs and STs during 2005-08
Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment

(In Rs. Crore)

year Scheme	2005-06		2006-07		2007-08 (upto Dec., 2007)	
	Budget Allocation	Actual Amount Spent	Budget Allocation	Actual Amount Spent	Budget Allocation	Actual Amount Spent
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Special Central Assistance	501.40	407.36		459.15	35.00	479.25
Babu Jagjivan Ram Chhatrawas Yojna for SC Students	47.00	52.26	62.00	54.04	67.00	13.29
Up gradation of merit of SC Students	18.00	6.22	30.00	30.00	1.00	0.95
Coaching & Allied assistance for SCs, OBC & Minorities	8.00	2.39	6.40	3.91	7.00	2.60
Top Class Education for SC Students	Scheme implemented w.e.f. June, 2007				16.00	1.50
Post Matric Scholarship scheme for SC	370.89	548.10	440.00	526.03	625.00	818.41
Pre Matric Scholarship Scheme for children of those engaged in unclean occupation	16.00	10.80	16.00	20.25	7.50	3.10
National Overseas Scholarship scheme for SC students	1.00	1.61	1.40	1.05	4.00	1.71
Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship Scheme for Scheduled Caste	16.03	16.03	35.03	34.18	53.58	53.58
Grant-in aid to NGOs	27.00	27.18	31.00	29.00	36.00	6.87

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Assistance to schedueld Castes Development Corporations (SCDCs)	32.50	31.50	33.00	33.00	20.00	20.00
Equity Support to National Scheduled Castes Finance Development Corporations (NSFDC)	16.60	16.60	37.00	37.00	43.00	40.00
Equity Support to National Safai Karamcharis Finance Development Corporations	22.00	22.00	25.00	25.00	21.00	
Self Employment Scheme for Rehabilitaiton on of Manual Scavengers (SRMS) Scheme launched w.e.f. January, 2007			56.00	56.00	50.00	25.00
Ministry of Tribal Affairs						
Grant-in aid to NGOs for STs including Coaching & Allied Schemes and award for exemplary service	23.40	26.90	28.00	31.46	30.50	17.51
Vocational Training in tribal areas	5.40	5.58	8.00	8.49	6.00	4.99
Education Complex in Low Literacy pockets for development of women literacy in tribal areas.	6.00	6.00	8.00	7.91	19.75	8.27
Investment/Price Support to TRIFED	4.00	4.00	8.98	8.98	21.70	18.69
State Tribal Dev. Corn. For Minor Forest Produce	10.80	12.84	16.00	17.91	20.00	00.00
Village Grain Banks						
Development of Primitive Tribal Groups	24.75	22.77	31.50	31.32	52.42	34.00
Support to National/State Scheduled Tribes Finance & Development Corporation	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35.00	00.00
Construction of Adivasi Bhavan	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.005	0.01	00.00
Promotion of Tribal Culture	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Scheme of PMS Book Bank & Upgradation of Merit of ST Students	188.09	211.17	221.74	256.53	162.04	141.77
Scheme of Hostel for ST Girls and Boys	15.65	15.65	28.41	28.12	34.50	27.33
Establishment of Ashram schools	6.00	6.00	15.50	15.50	20.00	3.74
Research Information & Mass	4.20	3.86	7.93	6.90	0.30	0.00

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Education, Tribal Festival and Other						
Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship for ST Student	7.95	7.95	15.90	15.90	26.00	11.00
Lum-sum Provision for N.E. (Revenue & Capital Section)	33.00	0.00	44.00	0.00	50.30	00.00
Special Central Assistance for Tribal Sub-Plan	688.82	688.82	816.71	816.71	816.71	609.55
Scheme Under Provision to Art 275 (1) of the Constitution	380.00	380.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	314.99
Information Technology	0.75	0.389	2.00	1.98	1.00	0.08

Reservation for economically backward classes

1825. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:
SHRI DARA SINGH:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has constituted a Commission for fixing reservation criteria for the economically backward classes, which are not enjoying the benefits of reservation at present;

(b) if so, the nature of composition of the said Commission, alongwith the terms of reference thereof;

(c) whether the Commission has submitted its report;

(d) if so, the salient features of the recommendations made by the Commission; and

(e) the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Commission consists of a Chairperson, a Member and a Member Secretary and the terms of references of the Commission are:

(i) to elicit the views of States Governments/UTs and other Commissions on the subject;

(ii) to suggest criteria for identification of economically backward classes;

(iii) to recommend the welfare measures and quantum of reservation in education and Government Employment in consultation with the National Commission for Religious and Linguistic Minorities;

(iv) to suggest the necessary constitutional, legal and administrative modalities as required for the implementation of their recommendations.